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PLN 2 million lost on old coins

The State Treasury might have lost over PLN 2 million on fictitious exports of valuable numismatic items to Germany. The CBA officers from Katowice detained a businessman suspected of participation in that practice.

The CBA Regional Office in Katowice, under supervision of the District Prosecutor's Office in Gliwice, is investigating into irregularities within the scope of VAT extortion by entities trading in old coins on the territory of the European Union.

The CBA officers detained a businessman from the Silesian Voivodship who has traded in numismatic items. The investigators found out that as a result of fictitious exports of valuable old coins while imposing a 0% VAT, the State Treasury might have lost over PLN 2 million.

The CBA officers secured assets of an estimated value of PLN 180 thousand for future penalties and fines. The businessman was detained over criminal and fiscal allegations as well as money laundering. Preventive measures in the form of police supervision and property surety were undertaken against the suspect. Charges of money laundering were presented to one more person.

The investigation is in progress and further persons may be detained.

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